Commission. According to the U. K. authorities, there is no evidence in this regard, and it is possible that the accused may have been trying to impress the under-cover officers.

(b) and (c) Enquiries reveal that no official in the High Commission of India had divulged any information to extremists.

Regional Rural Banks

260. DR. BAPU KALDATE: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the workers of the Regional Rural Banks have demanded structural changes in the present set up of the Regional Rural Banks and parity in pay-structure with commercial banks;

(b) whether it is a fact that these Regional Rural Banks have multi-agency ownership; and

(c) if so, whether there is any proposal to streamline the working of these banks alongwith other commercial banks?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) In terms of Section (6) of Regional Rural Banks Act 1976 fifty per cent of the issued share capital of Regional Rural Bank shall be subscribed by the Central Government, fifteen per cent by the Concerned State Government and thirty five percent by the sponsor bank.

(c) Government had constituted a Working Group in August, 1984 under the Chairmanship of Additional Secretary (Banking) to make appropriate recommendation on various aspects including streamlining of working of the Regional Rural Bank. The recommendations of the Working Group are under scrutiny.

Deposits with the Nationalised Banks

261. SHRI K. L. N. PRASAD: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what were the deposits with the nationalised commercial banks at the end of 31st December, 1985 and as at the end of June, 1986;

(b) whether Government are aware of large scale window dressing made in various banks in order to boost up the deposit figures;

(c) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the various unethical practices being adopted by the management of the banks only to present a wrong picture of the working of banks; and

(d) if so, whether Government propose to appoint a Parliamentary Committee to go into the working of the banks?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) According to provisional data available from Reserve Bank of India the deposits (excluding inter-bank) of public sector banks stood at Rs. 76763 crores as on 27-12-1985 and Rs. 78999 crores as on 6-6-1986.

(b) to (d) Reserve Bank of India has been repeatedly emphasising upon banks to effectively curb the practice of window-dressing, and have advised banks to instruct their Branch Managers|Agents and other officers that they should not adopt methods to inflate figures of deposits, advances etc. Reserve Bank of India has directed that deterent disciplinary action should be taken against the officials who disregard this advice. Moreover, in order to guard artificial inflation of deposit figures Reserve Bank of India has advised banks to indicate average growth of deposits etc. in their annual reports and other publications and as such the performance is judged as on various dates. Besides, during the course of inspection of banks, Reserve Bank of India's inspecting officers look into this aspect also.

Export of tea

262. SHRI DIPEN GHOSH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of Government of India enterprises|undertakings dealing